STERN GETS APPEAL FROM MANCHESTER

HAMBURG, Germany, Jan. 22 (AP)—Henry Nannen, editor of the West German magazine Stern, said today he had received a letter from the lawyers of William Manchester saying that the author would associate himself with efforts to prevent publication of an uncut version of "The Death of a President."

Mr. Nannen said in a statement:

"Even if Manchester should apply for an injunction against Stern, he will not be successful according to the conditions of the new [German] law of copyright.

"For the copyright law guarantees an author a so-called 'right of recall' only as long as the work is not already prepared for printing. However, Manchester's serialization has already started appearing in Stern."

Look magazine has applied for an injunction to prevent Stern from further publishing of what it considers an unauthorized version of Mr. Manchester's account of the Kennedy assassination.

The court adjourned its hearing of the case after six hours Friday, and a verdict is expected tomorrow.